

COLLECTION MANAGEMENT: Government Publications

Components of collection management include: **budgeting, collection development, collection evaluation, deselection, collection preservation**, and the development of guidelines and procedures related to these activities.

The University Librarian is responsible for managing the collection in collaboration with the librarians.

Kwantlen Polytechnic University Library adheres to the Association of College and Research Libraries' recognized guidelines for resource management outlined in [Standards for Libraries in Higher Education](#).

In these guidelines, the term 'collection' refers to all materials held within Library-managed accommodation, and to the electronic resources to which the Library provides access.

Government Publications

The Kwantlen Polytechnic University Library acquires and maintains a collection of government publications from the following jurisdictions (in order of priority):

- Canadian Federal Government
- British Columbia Government
- Local municipal governments / regional authorities
- Other Canadian Provincial / Territorial Governments
- United States Government, international governments and organizations

The government collection documents include print materials, electronic data products, and catalogued links to Government websites. The criteria used in selecting government documents is the same as the criteria for other material acquired for the Library.

Kwantlen Polytechnic University Library is a selective depository for Canadian federal government publications and adheres to the collection policies outlined by the [Depository Library Program](#). The majority of the Statistics Canada print Census publications are at the

Surrey Campus library, while additional copies of important Census documents are purchased for other campus libraries.

Kwantlen Polytechnic University Library is a member of the Statistics Canada Data liberation initiative (DLI). With this program, Statistics Canada allows the students, faculty and staff of Kwantlen Polytechnic University to access numerous Statistics Canada public-use microdata files (PUMFs), survey data and geographic files.

Suggestions for the acquisition of government documents should be forwarded to the Librarian responsible for collection development in this area.